

# FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION-2024 FOR RECRUITMENT TO POSTS IN BS-17 UNDER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

**Roll Number** 

### **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS	PART-I (MCQS)	MAXIMUM MARKS = 20
PART-I(MCQS): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES	PART-II	MAXIMUM MARKS = 80

NOTE: (i) Part-II is to be attempted on the separate Answer Book.

- (ii) Attempt ONLY FOUR questions from PART-II. ALL questions carry EQUAL marks.
- (iii) All the parts (if any) of each Question must be attempted at one place instead of at different places.
- (iv) Candidate must write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.
- (v) No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.
- (vi) Extra attempt of any question or any part of the attempted question will not be considered.



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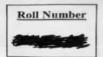
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(D) None of these

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	PART-I (MCQs): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES  NOTE: (i) First attempt PART-I (MCQs) on separ	rate OMR Answer SI	
	after 30 minutes.		
	<ul><li>(ii) Overwriting/cutting of the options/an</li><li>(iii) There is no negative marking. All MCC</li></ul>	swers will not be given by must be attempted.	en credit.
9		COMPULSORY)	
	I. (i) Select the best option/answer and fill in the appro		OMR Answer Sheet (20x1=20)
۷٠.	(ii) Answers given anywhere else, other than OMR	Answer Sheet, will no	be considered.
1.	According to Russell, what is the connection bety	veen envy and unhar	opiness?
	(A), Envy is a catalyst for happiness	(B) Envy is unrelate	d to happiness
		(D) None of these	
2.	What emotional tone is prevalent in the final star		Autumn?
	(A) Melancholic (B) Joyful	(C) Anxious	(D) None of these
	What does "The Lotus Eater" symbolize in the co	ontext of the story?	
	(A) A drug (B) A mythical creature (C) A	state of indulgence ar	d lethargy (D) None of these
	Which literary technique is frequently employ	ed by Whitman in	the poem "As I Ponder'd in
	Silence"? (A) Sonnet form (B) Rhymed couplets	con P	tale in (D) None of these
	(A) Sonnet form (B) Rhymed couplets In Russell's essay, what does he propose as a ke	(C) Free verse and c	ataloguing (D) None of these
	and achieving genuine happiness?	y factor in overcom	ing the fear of public opinion
		(C) Conforming	(D) None of these
	What does Ulysses mean by the phrase "to strive	to seek to find and	not to viold"?
	(A) He is submitting to death indifferently		iven up on all pursuits
	(C) He wishes to retire peacefully	(D) None of	
	How does Whitman convey a sense of inclusivity	in the poem "As I Po	nder'd in Silence"?
	(A) Through exclusionary language		y emphasizing individualism
	(C) By addressing a diverse range of people and ex	periences (D) N	Ione of these
	What war is looming in the background of Shaw'	s "Heartbreak Hous	e"?
	(A) World War II (B) World War II	(C) The Manalassia	TV (D) 37
	According to Russell, what is the advocated at	pproach to balancin	g external achievements and
	morning nappiness:		
	(A) Prioritizing (B) Balancing	(C) Ignoring	(D) None of these
0.	What famous play did Shaw write as a sequel Eliza's newfound social status?	to "Pygmalion," e	xploring the consequences of
	The state of the s		
	(A) "Man and Superman" (B) "Major Barbara" What style of theatre is often associated with "W	(C) "Heartbreak H	ouse" (D) None of these
2.	Which literary device is prominently feet	(C) Romanti	cism (D) None of these
	"Turning and turning in the widening gyre / the f  (A) Simile (B) Metaphor	in the poem Seco	ond Coming's opening lines,
	(A) Simile (B) Metanh	arcon cannot hear th	ie falconer"?
1.	Which of the following best characterizes the rhy	(C) Symbolis	sm (D) None of these
	Which of the following best characterizes the rhy  (A) Strict adherence to a regular meter	and meter of "T	he Second Coming"?
	(C) Varied and irregular meter	(B) Frequent	use of rnyme schemes
	What is the central theme of "The Lotus Eater"?	(D) None of	
	(A) The pursuit of wealth (B) The danger of:	ence (C) The allure	of nature (D) None of the
	What role does philosophy play in "Under the Ne		
		(R) No philos	ophy in the plot
	(C) It confuses the narrative	(D) None of t	hese
	What role does symbolism play in "Sons and Love	ers"?	
	There is no symbolism	(B) Superficia (D) None of the	l embellishment
	(C) Conveys psychological complexities	tre?	iese
	What characterizes the language used in absurd t	ical (C) Poetic and l	vrical (D)
	(A) Clear and logical (B) Symbolic and metaphor	ica:	Page 1 None of thes

#### **PART-II**

- **Q2.** Critically analyze whether Emerson's transcendentalist philosophy has enduring value and applicability in addressing current societal and individual concerns?
- **Q3.** Investigate O' Henry's intentions in crafting "The Gift of the Magi" and how his writing style contributes to the story's impact? What literary devices does he employ to evoke emotions and convey the central message?
- **Q4.** Explore ecocritical perspectives in "Tintern Abbey." How does Wordsworth engage with ecological themes, and what environmental ethics can be discerned in the poem?
- **Q5.** Investigate the portrayal of women in "Hamlet," focusing on Gertrude and Ophelia. How do gender roles and societal expectations influence their actions and outcomes? Discuss the agency or lack thereof granted to female characters in the play.
- **Q6.** How do Orwell's warnings about authoritarianism, surveillance, and propaganda resonate with contemporary political and social developments? Discuss the enduring significance of "1984" in the 21' century as a cautionary tale.
- **Q7.** What are the limitations and potential shortcomings of feminist approaches to literature? Evaluate the challenges and criticisms faced by Feminist Criticism as a literary theory.
- **Q8.** Examine the thematic exploration of guilt, redemption, and atonement within the context of a judgmental society in Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter".